

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Enclosed is a Replacement Paragraph for page 2, fourth paragraph of the Specification.



REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH
PAGE 2, FOURTH PARAGRAPH

The hat profile has its greatest profile height at its side portions 20, 21 as shown in figure 4 and it has a central portion 22 with lower profile height, that is, with lower webs 12, 13 as shown in figure 3. At the ends outside the fastening to the side rails, the profile height is again reduced since the side flanges ~~has~~ have an even bow form. The side flanges 14, 15 are wider at central portion 22 than at the side portions and they have their edges 23, 24 bent in the direction away from the cover. These bent edges reinforce the central portion 22. The side flanges extend in an even bow whereas the central flange 11 has four bends 25 - 28 and a central relatively straight portion 29 so that the bumper beam ~~make~~ makes room for the radiator of the vehicle behind this straight portion 29. The design of the bumper beam makes the steel of the beam deform in a way that provides an effective energy absorption in a crash and reduces the weight of the beam as compared with bumper beams with other designs.